

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, please delete the title of the application and replace it with the following new title:

CYSTEINE VARIANTS OF INTERLEUKIN-11

On page 1, immediately following the title, please insert the following new subheading and new paragraph:

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 10/400,377, filed March 26, 2003, which is a divisional of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/462,941, filed January 14, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,608,183, which is a national stage application under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT Application Serial No. PCT/US98/14497, filed July 13, 1998, which claims the benefit of priority from U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/052,516, filed July 14, 1997. Each of the above-identified applications and patent is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

On page 1, following the paragraph added above entitled "Cross-Reference to Related Applications", please insert the following subheading and paragraph:

Government Support

This invention was made in part with government support under Grant Nos. 1R43 CA84851 and 2R44 CA84851, each awarded by the National Institutes of Health. The government has certain rights in the invention.